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1. COMMERICAL COUNSELOR RICCARDO CORTES AND SECOND COMMER-
CIAL COUNSELOR JOSE DE ERICE MET WITH AMBASSADOR NEGROPONTE
TO DISCUSS FISHERIES ISSUES ON FEBRUARY 28.
2. THE SPANIARDS AGAIN BROUGHT UP THE DIFFICULTIES IMPOSED
BY BYCATCH QUOTAS, AND ASKED FOR A GLOBAL BYCATCH OF 7 .
3. FIXED GEAR HAS BEEN CREATING PROBLEMS FOR SPANISH
VESSELS. U.S. FISHERMEN HAVE NOT REPORTED WHEN GEAR IS
TAKEN UP, AND OTHER GEAR HAS MOVED FROM REPORTED POSITIONS.
SR. CORTES SUGGESTED A GRID SYSTEM FOR FIXED AND MOVABLE
GEAR WITHIN EACH WINDOW.

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4. SR. CORTES EXPRESSED THE SINCERE WISH SPAIN TO COMPLY
WITH THE FOREIGN FISHING REGULATIONS AND OFFERED TO WITH-
DRAW THOSE VESSELS THAT CONTINUALLY VIOLATE THE REGULATIONS.
HE DELIVERED A MEMORANDUM.
5. THE QUESTION OF MESH-SIZE RESEARCH CRUISES AND EX-
PLORATORY WINDOWS SOUTH OF CAPE HATTERAS WAS RAISED ONCE

AGAIN. WE SAID WE WOULD FOLLOW UP ON THESE MATTERS.

6. MR. NEGROPONTE ASKED SR. CORTES FOR ANY FACTUAL INFORMATION ON WHALING BY SPAIN, AND WHETHER SPAIN WOULD CONSIDER JOINING THE INTERNATIONAL WHALING COMMISSION.

7. SR. DE ERICE COMMENTED THAT SPAIN DID NOT LIKE THE PROPOSED INTERIM POLICY ON JOINT VENTURES, AS IT COULD LEAD TO FURTHER REDUCTION IN SPAIN'S QUOTA.

8. COPY OF MEMORANDUM DELIVERED BY SPAIN POUCHED. VANCE

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